

# EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCE

THE COMPRESSED ACETYLENE ORDER, 1947.

## 1947 No. 805

At the Court of Saint James, the 23rd day of April, 1947.

PRESENT,

His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester.

Viscount Lascelles.

Lord Privy Seal.

Earl of Listowel.

Mr. Greenwood.

Lord Cooper.

Mr. Paling.

Lord Moncrieff.

Sir Frederic Wrottesley.

Whereas His Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 and 1943, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 24th day of January, 1947, to delegate and grant unto His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal, G.C.V.O., G.B.E., C.I., and Viscount Lascelles, or any two of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of His Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on His Majesty's behalf His Privy Council and to signify thereat His Majesty's approval of any matter or thing to which His Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas in pursuance of the provisions of section one hundred and four of the Explosives Act, 1875(a), it is by Order in Council, dated the second day of February, 1937(b), declared that acetylene, when liquid or when subject to a pressure exceeding nine pounds to the square inch above that of the atmosphere, shall, subject to an exception therein stated, be deemed to be an explosive within the meaning of the said Act:

And whereas, in pursuance of the provisions of section forty-three of the said Act, it is, by the said Order in Council, ordered that acetylene declared by that Order to be deemed to be an explosive shall be prohibited from being manufactured, kept, imported, conveyed or sold:

And whereas, in pursuance of the provisions of the said section forty-three, it is, in the said Order in Council, further provided that nothing in that Order shall apply to the manufacture or keeping of acetylene under the following conditions, that is to say:—

(a) that the pressure to which the acetylene is subjected shall not exceed twenty-two pounds to the square inch above that of the atmosphere, and

(b) that the manufacture and keeping shall be carried out only on such premises and under such conditions as may be approved by the Secretary of State:

And whereas it is provided by section eighty-three of the said Act that His Majesty may by Order in Council, from time to time, alter any previous Order in Council under the said Act:

And whereas it is expedient that the provisions of the said Order in Council made in pursuance of the said section forty-three, which set out the above recited conditions, should be altered in respect of conditions and restrictions relating to the apparatus in which acetylene is manufactured or kept, and in respect of acetylene which is being used in the production of organic compounds:

(a) 38 & 39 Vict. c. 17.

(b) S.R. & O. 1937 (No. 54) p. 729.